Brainstorming and Website Content

* Resume
* Where I’m from
* What I do now
* Dream Job
* Personal Goals
* Professional Goals
* How I got into what I do
* Design examples
* Writing examples
* Where I’m located
* Email
* Phone?
* \*NOT TWITTER\* They can find it if they look, but not from me.
* Photos
* Personal Logo
* Job experience

Resume + Past Work: Resume (With Previous Experience), Design examples, Writing examples, Previous experience.

Contact information: Telephone, email.

About me: Where I’m from, Personal/Professional Goals, Why Writing? Personal Story. Mission Statement.

Navigation/Design Explanation

The navigation I have for my website right now is pretty basic, given the fact that I don’t have much to include in way of pages. While more pages may be added in the future, for right now I decided to keep it to 4 pages: Home, Work Samples, Resume, and About Me. I decided to put the navigation along the left hand side, because as English readers we look to the top and left first, so navigation along the left hand side is easy to find. This also makes it easy to arrange my pages in order of importance, with the one that I think is most important, Work Samples, coming at the top. I made the decision to put the navigation along the left hand side instead of along the top because I find that navigation along the left is just as easy to find, but less obtrusive when you want to stay on one page for a little while.

In terms of where I went for inspiration, I looked mainly at the websites of PW alums. Many of them have the same content that I have included, and almost all of them that have this content are employed. This shows that they know what employers are looking for, and this is very helpful to know. I also took hints from them on what should have its own page and what should not. I think my resume, work samples, and personal story deserves its own page, but I do not think that my contact information needs to be that large. Instead, I think that a pop-up box when you hover over the words “Contact Me” will be plenty for potential employers. I put “Work Samples” above “Resume” because I am assuming that many potential employers will already have my resume. Overall, I tried to make the site as easy to navigate as possible for people who wanted to learn more about me and my work.